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Social Policy (5EN2022)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Master en économie appliquée	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	3

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Printemps

Equipe enseignante

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Each lecture will focus on a different social problem and the policy implemented to address it. The topics covered include poverty, inequality, healthcare, social insurances, minimum wage, immigration, gender discrimination, crime and institutions. The reading for each lecture will largely be based upon articles from journals and articles in the field of economics. By the end of the course students should have a greater understanding how different economic theory and methodological approaches may be applied to a range of social problems and policies. They should be able to interpret and critically appraise articles and data from international journals such as Fiscal Studies, the Economic Journal, Oxford Review of Economic Policy.

Forme de l'évaluation

2h written final exam during exam session (50%).
Data analysis using STATA (20%).
20 min. presentation about a social policy application during the semester (20%).
Class participation (10%)
Retake: 2h written exam during exam session (100%).

Neither documents nor connected devices are permitted during the exams.

In case of violation of these rules, the students are in situation of fraud and the unauthorized items will be removed. The exam could be deemed as failed.

Documentation

There is no specific textbook for the course. We rely on original sources such as scientific journal articles, book extracts and technical reports. Readings will be made available on Claroline prior to their discussion in class.

Pré-requis

None. N.B. Students who take this course as an elective have to make sure they possess the required minimal knowledge in economics, econometrics, and basics of STATA. No distinction will be made between MScAPEC students and others in terms of evaluation criteria.

Forme de l'enseignement

2-hour lecture.

Objectifs d'apprentissage

Au terme de la formation l'étudiant-e doit être capable de :

- Analyse the pertinence of social policies
- Discuss policy interventions effects
- Apply economic concepts to the understand the pertinences of different policies
- Differentiate direct effects and unintended effects of different policies
- Review current evidence on social policies

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Compétences transférables

- Communicate main goals behind some social policies
- Carry out a critical analysis
- Discuss complex issues
- Explore alternative measures to judge policy interventions